

Assessing Typhoon Risk Using Multi-model Ensemble Forecasts for Disaster Risk Reduction

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- Western North Pacific Typhoons cause significant loss of life and property (>67 Billion RMB economic losses in 2018)
- One way of mitigating negative impacts on several sectors of society is the development and application of financial instruments for risk transfer and adequate response, e.g. parametric insurance.
 - A robust and reliable assessment of real typhoon hazard risk is needed.
- We have developed a method to construct an event set of high impact typhoon by using non-realised but forecast typhoon in ensemble prediction system (EPS).
 - Data: THORPEX Interactive Grand Global Ensemble (TIGGE)
 - Tracking algorithm: WiTRACK

Our published paper:

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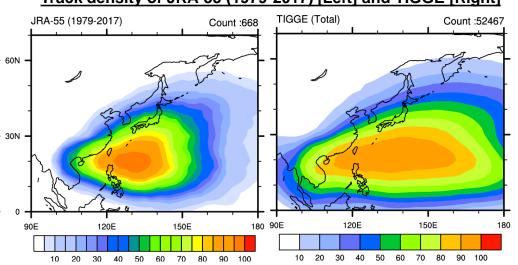






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CM	4	14	2	0.5625x0.5625	240 360
ECM\	٧F	50	2	0.5625x0.5625	360
NCE	Р	20	4	1x1	384
JMA	٦	50*	1 2	1.25x1.25	216 264

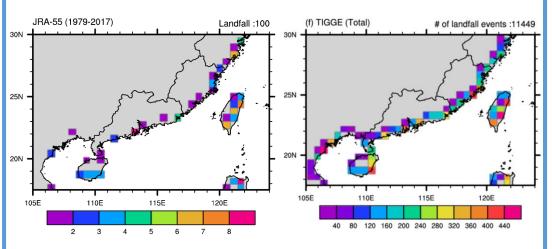
Track density of JRA-55 (1979-2017) [Left] and TIGGE [Right]



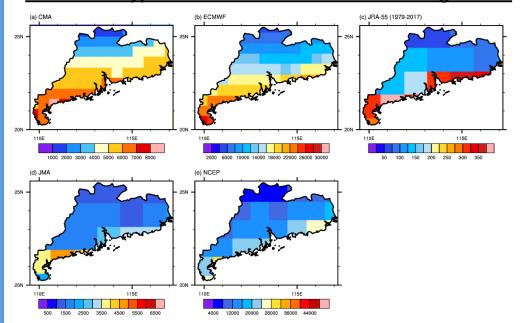


Results

Number of landfall events with at least typhoon strength

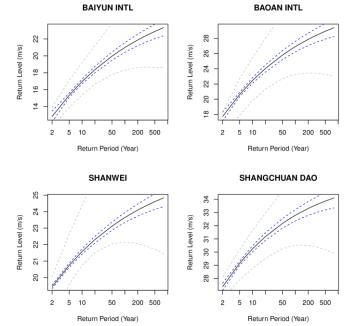


Number of typhoon related SSI entries in each grid box



Application

Return period estimation



Return period estimate based on TIGGE event set (Black)
95% confidence interval calculated using TIGGE PEPS event set (Blue)
95% confidence interval calculated using OBS data (Grey)

Summary

The use of pure EPS typhoon in TIGGE for more robust TC risk assessment

- → More physically consistent events (more than 10,000 years of data)
- → Spatially consistent with historical distribution
- → Physically consistent typhoon-related precipitation information available